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RE: Application Serial No.: 09/749,819  
Applicants: Hiroaki FUKUDA, et al.  
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMAGE  
PROCESSING, AND A COMPUTER PRODUCT  
Group Art Unit: 2624  
Examiner: Tucker, Wesley J.

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

#### INTERVIEW SUMMARY

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On November 3, 2006, the Examiner contacted applicants' representative and reported that an Examiner's Amendment was needed to correct informalities as to Claim 9. In this regard, Claim 9 was noted to be improperly dependent on canceled Claim 7 instead of Claim 6. Correction of Claim 9 to depend from Claim 6 instead of canceled Claim 7 was authorized.

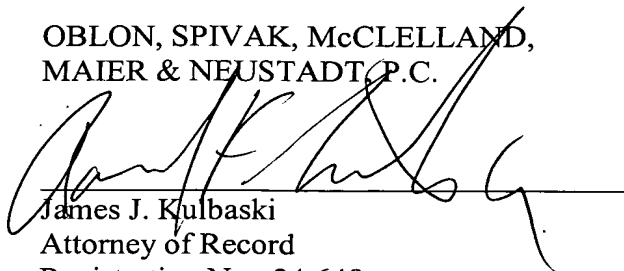
A further deficiency was noted as to Claim 15 which inadvertently repeats exactly the same subject matter twice, (once at the bottom of page 8 of the Amendment filed on April 7, 2006, and again at the top of page 9 of this Amendment, after "wherein said." The

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Examiner was further authorized to correct this improper duplication by Examiner's  
Amendment so that the above-noted second recitation of Claim 15 subject matter will be  
deleted.

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